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In re Patent Application of

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Serial No. 09/215,519

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Title: ~~SAFETY SYRINGE NEEDLE DEVICE WITH RETRACTABLE NEEDLE PLATFORM~~

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Total effective claims after amendment	17	minus highest number			
previously paid for	20	(at least 20) =	0	x \$ 18.00	\$ 0.00
Independent claims after amendment	3	minus highest number			
previously paid for	3	(at least 3) =	0	x \$ 78.00	\$ 0.00
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